NELSON REQUESTS GALLAUDET MATMEN

Admitting Defeat, Famous Strong Aggregation Entered Battler Is Confident He Can Come Back.

LOSER ABSORBED TERRIBLE BEATING

Dane Taking Baths Today, Is Almost Unable to See or

EXPERTS EXPRESS THEIR OPINIONS

back. He showed the effect of too many ring beatings. He was poorly handled by his seconds."

Jack Gleason-"Age told the same old story."

Tex Rickard-"Wolgast beat Nelson at his own game, and deserves all credit. It was the greatest lightweight battle ever fought."

Eddie Graney - "Nelson was slower than of old, but Wolgast earned the title. He is a wonderful fighter."

Referee Eddle Smith-"I'd have been a brute to have permitted the fight to proceed."

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 23.-Battling Nelson offers \$10,000 cash bonus to Ad Wolgast, the lightweight champion of the world, for a return battle, any time, any place, and under any cimcumstances

that the champion may name.

Beaten to a standstill, put out standing up in the fortieth round of one of the after the fight he joined his fiancee and greatest battles in the history of the gave her the news of the victory himself. surrendered his title to a new man and woman whom Wolgast met last su does not comp air. But he demands that in southern California. Wolgast make good on his assertion that he will meet "any deserving lightweight," and those who know Nelson's wonderful record of thirteen years are forced to admit that he is one of the

Nelson Never Outgamed.

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Wolgast fought for his honors and won them honestly. From start to finish of the hour and fifty-seven minutes of terrific fighting he outboxed and outgenerated, but never outgamed Nelson.

For ten rounds before the referce lifted For ten rounds before the referee lifted the glove of the new champion there BATTLER'S PARENTS was little doubt as to the outcome. Still in the round before the close, when Referee Smith stepped between the men and asked if he would stop, Nelson, un-able to spea's, shook his head slowly able to spea's, shook his head slowly and staggered heavily around the referee and lunged again at his antagonist. It was a tragely, but a tragedy well done was a tragely, but a tragedy well done. All honor is accorded the new champion. famous, but instead the town is in All honor is also accorded the old cham- gloom over the defeat of its honorary

In the baths here with his training staff today Nelson is still almost unable to see or speak. Eyes cut and swollen, nose broken, lips puffed, he insists that under it all he is in good condition, and the thousands at the ring who saw him stand helpless and blow after blow, know that his nerve and his fighting qualities are unbroken.

Wolgast, himself, showed appreciation of this fact even when he had beaten the champion into a condition of absolute helplessness after the thirty-fifth round, when the Battler was hardly able to hold up his hands and could only make a blow by swinging his whole body with the arm and glove a dead weight. Wolgast stepped warily and fought as carefully as he had in the first. He was taking no chance of a sudden return power which here it. a sudden return power which has al-ways characterized the Dane, and which his friends declare may yet bring him back into the game a win-ner.

others maintain that Nelson is done. They point to the fact that Wolgast been beaten by both Tommy Murphy and Owen Moran, and insist that if he could lose to such men in the milddle of his career and then beat Nelson decisively, that Nelson is not the man he once was. But those who saw the great battle come to a close last nightinsist that it is not that Nelson is less, but that Wolgast is more.

Winner Is Versatile.

Wolgast has a record of many victories, though he made no great sensation

ies, though he made no great sensation in the ring until the present time. But Nelson himself was no wonder at the start, and it may be that Wolgast has start, and it may be that Wolgast has just reached his stride. Only a few months ago he was fighting in the featherweight class. Now 132 pounds is his natural weight at the ringside. And Wolgast is a boxer. When science was demanded he proved that he had it. When the great Dane roughed it, Wolgast is the buttedB and clinched work of the four pointed Hyland almost from the start. Only in the second round did Hyland show up his equal.

ANOTHER CHANCE TO BID FOR PRIZES

for Guard-M. A. C. Tourney Tonight.

Manager Harry Gardner, of the Gal-audet College wrestling squad, expects o send a strong aggregation of grap-plers to the National Guard-M. A. C. reliminaries tonight at the Center Market Armory.

The Kendall Green wrestlers have been doing as well as can be expected owing men will be at the meet to

Robert E. Conley, heavyweight class Gilbert O. Erickson, middleweight class; Gilbert O. Erickson, middleweight class; G. H. Bailey and J. W. Gledhill, welterweight class; Baxter Mosey and F. M. Halliday, lightweight class; L. P. Jones, featherweight class; M. Lapides, bantam-weight class; Gilbert Isackson, a clever middleweight grappler, will be unable to participate in tonight's preliminaries, as one of his lower ribs was fractured some time ago while practicing.

Erickson is a vateran middleweight, and the Gallaudet followers are de-pending upon him to make a good showing tonight.

and jabbed and held and stalled and boxed with equal ability as the attack of the Dane warranted.

Only in the twenty-second round was he in serious danger, and then his generalship saved him from defeat. Staggered by a terrific swing on the jaw, he rushed into another blow of the same same kind and went to the floor. With the count of four he was on his feet again and Nelson was after him hot and heavy. The crowd yelled and those near the exits looked to see that the way was clear for a rush to the cars. They thought the Dane had won, but Wolgast rushed, clinched and held on, stalling out the round in spite of all Nelson could do.

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In the next he stalled again, and by the twenty-fourth he was again in good condition and the Dane's chance was gone. As it was declared by the sporting writers when Wolgast and Nelson met for ten rounds in Los Angeles last July the Milwaukee lad's brains were the best for his business.

Wolgast to Marry.

Wolgast is to marry. Immediately after the fight he joined his fiancee and prize ring last night, Battling Nelson She is Miss Eugenia Howey, a young

The gross receipts of yesterday's bat-tle amounted to \$37,756. Nelson re-ceived \$12,000 and an extra \$1,000 for traveling expenses. Wolgast got \$3,756, an additional \$1,600 for training ex-penses, and \$1,500 for his end of the fight pictures. Nelson gets \$5 per cent of the pictures. More than 15,000 per-sons saw the fight. Commenting today on the fight, Nel-son says he can turn the trick if given another opportunity.

Britt after he had lost to Joe Gans on a foul in the forty-second round of a grueling battle, and then saw him come back to give Gans the beating of his life, are inclined to believe that even with the stamina and cleverness of the new champion, Nelson would not be an easy victim.

Wolgast fought for his honors and work home honestly. From start to finish at Wolgast."

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"Wolgast hasn't a champion's punch," declared the Dane today. "Therefore, how can he retain the title? I believe I made the weight too soon and that it left me weaker than I had expected. I wasn't in serious distress when Smith new champion, Nelson would not be an one punch which would turn the tide of battle. I certainly want another chance with the proportunity.

ARE DOWNHEARTED

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.-A celebratio of the little burg which Batling made

gloom over the defeat of its honorary mayor.

Besides losing the name of being the town where the champion lightweight lives, a lot of money is being taken out of Hegewisch by outsiders. Nearly every man in town had bet on Nelson. But none are so downhearted today as the aged parents of the Battler, who have spent their declining years in comfort with money given them by their son.

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WASHINGTON MEN ARE DISAPPOINTED

Washington athletes are sorely dis-appointed today over their failure to show in the big annual cross-country

HAYES GETS DECISION.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 23.-Grover

FOR

Rheumatism is in reality an internal inflammation; a diseased condition of the blood cells which supply the nourishment and strength necessary to sustain our bodies. The disease is caused by an excess of urice sary to sustain our bodies. The disease is caused by an excess of uric acid in the blood, which comes from indigestion, weak kidneys, constipation, and other irregularities of the system. This uric acid produces an inflamed and acrid condition of the blood, and the circulation, instead of nourishing the different portions of the body, continually deposits into the muscles, nerves, joints and bones, the irritating and pain-producing acid with which it is filled. Then follow the painful and torturing symptoms of Rheumatism. We do not claim for S. S. S. that it is anything more than a first class blood purifier, and that is just what is needed to care Rheumatism. S. S. E. goes into the circulation, and by neutralizing the uric acid and driving it from the blood, effectually and surely removes the cause of Rheumatism. S.S. S. strengthens and invigorates the blood so that instead of a weak, sour stream, causing pain and agony throughout the system, it becomes an invigorating, nourishing agony throughout the system, it becomes an invigorating, nourishing fluid, furnishing health and vigor to every portion of the body, and permanently relieving the suffering caused by Rheumatism. S.S.S. is purely vegetable and will not injure the most delicate system. Book on Rheumatism and any medical advice free to all who write.

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AD WOLGAST'S VICTORY IS LESSON FOR JEFFRIES

Interesting Problems Arising From Defeat of Nelson. Plenty of Dope But No Definite Answer-Concerning Moran and Welsh.

WHAT FIGHTERS AND REFEREE HAVE TO SAY ABOUT BIG BOUT

Wolgast said:

"My fight today was like a train- irg statement: ing bout. Only once did he bother me, and that was in the twentysecond round. Nelson hurt me more squarely. to give deserving lightweights a were equally guilty.

have stayed the forty-five rounds, left him without the old snap, dash, but I have no complaint to make."

Referee Smith made the follow-

"Wolgast fought Nelson at his own game and beat him fairly and Nelson complained at by butting me than anything else, times of Wolgast's butting, but I and I felt funny for just a few paid little attention, as it was siraseconds. I cannot say anything as ply the case of one battler getting to my future plans, but I am ready the worst of a game where both

"Both men fought the same, but one had youth, the power to come When Nelson was able to talk he back, vigor, life, and all that goes with it, while the thirteen years of "I am sorry they called the fight fighting through which Nelson had off when they did. I think I could gone had sapped his scrength and

Among his other achievements

in tweive rounds in Boston, and a de-cision from Tommy Murphy in tweive

rounds in the same city. Any man who gets a verdict over Baldwin in

knocked out Tommy Langdon in

cision over Johnny Summers in two of the fastest rounds ever seen in National Sporting Chib of England.

Welsh Learned In America.

McFarland is no great shakes as nuncher and Welsh should outbox him

although Welsh lost a ten-round of

ision to Mcfarland in Los Angeles.

wallop and has the advantage or

made him mark for Wolgast is anothe question.

But, it all goes to prove that an man whoever went a long and desperat fight with Joe Gans was never himsel afterward, as Nelson will testify.

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By THOMAS S. RICE.

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If must give Jim Jeffries pause when he reads today the account by rounds of the fight in which Ad Woigast won the light which Ad Woigast won the world's lightweight championship yesterday from Battling Nelson in forty rounds at Richmond, Cal., just outside of San Francisco.

Nelson had not been in a real championship bout for eighteen months, but in that time had fought five or six bounts of minor importance which were at least good enough to make him extend himself. Jeffries has not fought since August 28, 1904, when he stowed a way Jack Munroe, a period of about five and ene-half years. Nelson gave evidence yesterday of having deteriorated in regard to punching power, even if his staying powers were almost superhuman. He was not the Nelson of old, and when his blows did land they failed to deliver the goods. Also his judgment of distance could hardly have been first class—one of the surest results of long layoffs on the part of a boxer.

Proposition for Leff.

Proposition for Jeff.

Now the proposition comes: If Nelson fighting occasionally in his eighteen onths as king of the lightweights, and aking fairly good care of himself, went back so far, what will be the condition Boston works every inch of the way of Jim Jeffries when he meets Jack Johnson next July 4, after a period of inactivity which will have lasted nearly six years? This question is going to be the favorite theme of sporting conversation from now until Independence Day, and it would be well to think a little before answering it right off the bat.

Boston works every inch of the way and probably wins by a mile. Wolgast and Moran went six round to no decision in New York on April 6, 1908, and know something about one another. Wolgast got a draw with Baldwin in Boston, which was going some, and knocked out Tommy Langdon in a

The Jeffries contingent will make this ery vital point: Nelson, since he be-ame prominent in 1968, has taken as sinch purishment as any man who ever itered a ring. He has never been gainst an opponent who had any real billity who did not outbox him and ug him from start to finish. Kid allivan, of Washington, gave him a errible walloping when they met for x rounds in Baitimore. And so it was yen in his easy money bouts against seen in his easy money bouts against seen in his easy money bouts against seen in his easy money touts and all of the many nockouts, and all of them reached the ane's body at will. The only marvel that Nelson lasted as long as he did and he will be a monumental figure in ugilistic history because of his stam-

on the other hand, Jeffries has never een badly beaten in any of his bouts, it has met no man of consequence as ig as himself, and when the smaller nd cleverer men, like Corbett and Fitzsimmons, went against him his own boxing ability and crouching position saved his body from those demoralizing wallops which sap the present energy and leave a second ergy and leave a permane and leave a permanent impress upon the ring constitution of the pugil- rounds in New Orleans. Whether the ist, although seldom impairing the twelve-round beating Welsh had given health.

There you are: The Dane fought

health.

There you are: The Dake fought along just about often enough, theoretically, but had received terrific punishment; Jeffries will have been out of the ring nearly six years, time enough to become grossly stale, but has always escaped serious damage to the body. Pay your money and take your choice.

Johnson's Position.

Jack Johnson represents a peculiar teross in conditions between Jeffries and Nelson. Johnson has fought about often enough to keep himself on edge, as had Nelson, but the negro has likewise been such a good defensive boxer that he has seldom had to absorb more soulful swats than were good for his system. The uncertainty about Johnson because of his high living is what might be called an extraneous element—it will be of vast importance when he meets Jeffries, but there is no way on earth of figuring how much the negro has set himself back in that matter. We are simply pointing out the deductions to be drawn from the Nelson-Wolgast bout as applicable to the coming battle for the world's heavyweight championship. Incidentally, let it not be forgotten in figuring Jeffries and Johnson on Nelson and Wolgast basis that Johnson is a far better defensive boxer than Nelson, and granting that Jeffries has not drifted backward in his long rest, that he should have a much harder time hitting the negro than Wolgast had in landing on the Dane, which will use up considerable energy that Wolgast did not have to waste in going after his victim.

Verily, the more you think of it the more you do not know where you stand on that July affair, and the man who bets enough to injure his financial standing will deserve little sympathy.

A Punchless Champion. Jack Johnson represents a peculia cross in conditions between Jeffries and

A Punchless Champion. Concerning our friend Wolgast, it must be said that he is somewhat of a



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Princeton and Yale will send down al-most their entire track squad, and the fight between the athletes from these two big institutions alone will be well worth seeing. Cornell is determined to make a strong bid for first honors, as is Pennsylvania, Columbia, Fordham, Virginia, Villanova, Johns Hopkins, George own, and other colleges of lesser light. The Georgetown athletes, under the

The Georgetown athletes, under the coaching of Bill Foley, are fast rounding into form, and from present indications promise to spring a surprise on some of their crack opponents.

The management is enderworing to arrange a relay race for the school championship of the District, in which the five high schools and the Georgetown Freps are to be the contenders. Western has already sent in three relay teams and Central two, while it is expected that entries from Tech and Business will be in by tonight.

The management has been unable to secure Bernie Wefers as starter, owing to the meet in New York that night, in which the New York Athletic Club is to compete. Manager McNulty has been in communication with a man who is considered to be one of the best starters in the country, and from present indications will secure him.

DUCKPIN TOURNEY **CLOSES TOMORROW**

The final roll-off among the twelve ighest men in the open duckpin tourna ent which has been in progress on the Northeast Alleys, 1353 H street north ast, for the past two weeks will take place tomorrow evening, beginning at o'clock, and speculation is rife today anent the three survivors who will diride the purse of \$20 hung up by Preinkert brothers, managers of the winning a decision from Matty Baldwin

Hagan, of the Northeast team, and agan, of the Northeast team, and Clure, of the Royals, are favorites, h holding five-game totals well over 600 mark. For the first time since commencement of the tourney the I-line rule will be strictly observed the finals tomorrow, and many are the opinion that several of the lead-will find extreme difficulty from s source.

DONOVAN IN DRAW WITH JOE SEIGER

WILMINGTON, Del. Feb. 23.-Joe eiger, of Denver, and Billy Donovan f Philadelphia, fought a ten-round out at the Delaware Athletic Club, at Brandywine Springs Park last evening, and a good draw it was. The fighters mixed it up pretty lively all through the ten rounds, and at the close Seiger appeared to show the effects more than Donovan, but the latter was not able to do much damage. The bout was refereed by Bob Deady and there was ablg attendance.

CONLEY FORCES

Welsh does not push any mountains over with his fist, but he has a rocking Henry Piet, the French lightweight champion, in twelve rounds in Wales,

p the sponge before the count was nished.

TIGERS BEAT YALE.

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 23.-Prince ton closed her basketball season here last evening by defeating Yale by 38 to 24. The score at the end of the first half was 21 to 4 in favor of the locals.

KID ELBERFELD SIGNS CONTRACT

Grand Collegiate Struggle Is Leaves This Week for Hot Keeler Gets Release From Springs, Va., to

> Kid Elberfeld is the latest member of the Washington tall team to climb into Keeler, whom baseball writers have althe band wagon and sign a contract. Elberfeld's wise and timely stunt was one this morning when he called upon today, following his unconditional re-President Noyes and had a large talk with the head of the club. Was he fit, did he say? Fit as a fiddle and eager for the ball to start rolling. Elberfeld
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> The passing of the little right fielder, for the ball to start rolling. Elberfeld as been living on his farm near Washigton all winter and was so eager to ice on the diamond, is lamented as that has been living on his farm near Washtalk crops it was hard to get him down of few ball players would be. He says

> talk crops it was hard to get him down to the serious business of baseball.
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> Although the player is in good condition, Mr. Noyes thought it a good idea to send him to the Hot Springs of Virginia for a little preliminary loosening pip prior to the departure of the squad for Norfolk on March 5, hence the nimble Kid will entrain for the Springs some time toward the end of this week. Elberfeld is so well pleased with being with Washington this year he believes he is going to play better ball than for several seasons past, which would be a feat out of the ordinary, as he has been there with the goods ever since he entered the league.
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> of few ball players would be. He says he is through with the spiked shoes and will not identify himself again with the game of manager of which there is the greatest probability, for Keeler is recognized as a player of brains and possessing the quality of a leader.
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> Keeler was a member of the thrice-champion Baltimore team in the halcoyn days of Ned Hanlon's reign. He was the most scientific patsman, probabily, that the game ever knew and his tered the league.

the Squad of Fifteen.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, Va. eb, 23.-With the opening of the playng season less than a month off, D ector Lannigan is busy rounding th iniversity baseball squad into shape for the strenuous games ahead.

At present about sixty men are praccing daily in the cage, where muc attention is being given to developin their batting eyes. They are drilled i the proper way to stand at the plat and swing, in place hitting, and in buni-ing.

SHAW AGAIN WINS RACQUET TITLE

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 23.-Quincy A Shaw, of this city, is today the nations ng won the title by defeating Reginal incke, of New York, three games to ne, in the final match of the tourna one, in the final match of the tourna-ment yesterday.

Mr. Shaw won by 17-14, 8-15, 15-2, 15-2, he figures of the last two games indi-cating that the victor played with a skill that was unbeatable.

This is the fourth time that Shaw has won the championship, his other suc-cessful years being 1839, 1901, and 1908.

GEORGETOWN FIVE HAS CHAMP HOPES

trict title, following its defeat of the Y. M. C. A. five in the latter's hall last

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22.—Frankie Conley, a bantamweight, of Kenosha, Wis., knocked out Monte Attell, of San Francisco, yesterday in the forty-second round of a scheduled forty-five-round fight.

Attell was severely punished, and when Conley knocked him down in the forty-second round his seconds threw up the sponge before the content of the latter's hall last evening by 34 to 19.

From beginning to end the contest was of whirlwind order and at the windup it was evident that the windup it was evi

BOSTON, Feb. 23.-Ray Bronson. ndianapolis, and Matty Baldwin fought welve rounds in the main bout at the Armory A. C. last night. The referee declared the contest a draw. Bronson had the better of the milling, although Baldwin came back strong at the finish, and in the last three rounds did the more effective punching.

WEE WILLIE AFTER MANAGERIAL BERTH

Yankees at His Own Request.

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